FHA Senior Planning Committee

The Senior FHA Planning Committee met August 5 at Appomattox County Middle School under the leadership of president Carla Varner. The committee made plans for the coming year with the topic "Improve Communities For A Better World." Included in the topic are the sub-programs, "Discover Yourself," "Getting the Family Together," "Ecology Counts," "An Ounce of Preparation," "Living For Others," "What Would Happen If . . . ?" and "Sixty Minutes."

Officers of the FHA are, from left, front row, Kaye Chenault, Janet Booth, Betty Cheathem, Janice Giles, Teresa Cyrus. 2nd row, Donna Cyrus, Carla Varner, Cindy Guill, Robin Tomlin and Debbie Morrell.

Mental Health Group Names New Director

Mrs. Lewis A. James, Jr. has been named Director of Community Mental Health Services Board. She assumed the additional position with the Board July 1.

Mrs. James is also the director of Community Residential Services for the Board. Her new appointment is announced by Dr. Robert D. Gardner, Psychiatrist - Director.

The Central Virginia Mental Health Services Board, better known as Chapter 10, provides services to all people within Planning District II. This includes the cities of Bedford and Lynchburg and the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford and Campbell.

Mrs. James, a native of Bedford County, is planning and administering programs of service for all Mentally Retarded persons within Planning District II. These services include transitional living aids for independent living for those who have been institutionalized, and either living in the community alone or in a Half-Way House facility, also programs and services for those Mentally Retarded who are living with families within the community.

The Community Mental Retardation Services program includes identifying the numbers of retarded, and defining their individual needs, referral to specific services for health, vocational, recreational, educational and practical living needs; and teaching and counseling individuals and families in practical living skills.

Mrs. James said about her new position, "I will work closely with all genetic services, institutions, schools, organizations, churches and groups interested in upgrading the quality of life for the mentally retarded in District 11".

Dalton Sets Open Meeting

Lieutenant Governor John Dalton will hold an Open Door Meeting in Campbell County on Friday, August 16 from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the Board of Supervisors Room in the Walter J. Haberer Building (Lower Level) in Rustburg. The coordinators are David Pethick and Mrs. Joyce K. Crouch. Mrs. Crouch is serving as scheduler for the August 16 meeting. Advance appointments may be made by calling Mrs. Crouch at 804/237-2437.

Dalton's office emphasizes that advance appointments are helpful, but not required. All residents of Campbell County and the Fifth Congressional District are welcome to talk with the Lieutenant Governor at the August 16 meeting.

This is the Lieutenant Governor's regular monthly meeting for the Fifth Congressional District. The August meeting is the fifth in a series of monthly Open Door Meeting which Dalton has held in the Fifth District since April. The purpose of the Open Door Meeting which Dalton has held in the Fifth District since April. The purpose of the Open Door Meetings is to receive citizen complaints and suggestions about the operations of state government agencies. Dalton estimates that by now he has talked with several hundred citizens about state agency operations and about proposed legislation.

Dalton forwards each of the problems brought to him at the Open Door Meetings to the appropriate state agencies for action and comment. He also talks regularly with state agency heads, the Governor and Cabinet members about citizen problems and concerns presented to him at the Open Door Meetings.

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Agribusiness Council Knocks Tax Plan

RICHMOND - The Virginia Agribusiness Council called on a legislative study committee meeting in Roanoke Monday to support a tax system that encourages individual ownership of property and individual business pursuits.

Speaking before the State's Revenue and Economic Study Commission, Walter Ayers, Council Executive Vice President, said the property tax reform package being considered by the Commission failed to meet this basic objective.

The Study Commission was holding the second in a series of four public hearings on a report prepared by the Finance Section of the Division of State Planning and Community Affairs entitled "Reforming the Virginia Property Tax."

In addressing the Commission, Ayers pointed out that one of the main thrusts of the staff report was a call for equity in the property tax system. Ayers cautioned, however, that the report called for all property to be assessed at 100% of its full value based on standards prescribed by the State Tax Department, and on an annual or continuous basis. He stated that the Virginia Agribusiness Council could not endorse such an approach as equitable. "Suffice it to say" stated Ayers "that full value assessment is no solution to the growing numbers of farmers who find that they cannot generate enough income from their farms to pay their real estate tax.

The Virginia Agribusiness Council" Ayers continued "could not support full value assessment in the absence of other reforms, including the institution of use value assessment in all localities for farm, forest and open-space lands."

Ayers concluded the Virginia Agribusiness Council's statement by pointing out that the public interest would not be served through a property tax system that taxes people and businesses at levels exceeding their ability to pay. Ayers urged the Commission to bear this point in mind in adopting tax reforms.

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Step 2. Apply sealer with a clean soft cloth or brush rubbing in until excess remains on surface. With woods that are highly absorbant a second application may have to be applied until the wood has absorbed all it can. Be sure to wipe any excess from the wood before it sets.

Step 3. Following the instructions on the can regarding recommended drying time, apply more coats until the sheen and color desired is achieved.

Step 4. When dry, smooth with fine steel wool (grade 4-0).

Step 5. Apply a good beeswax or carnuba finishing product and rub by hand, or with a buffer, until a deep, high gloss is obtained.

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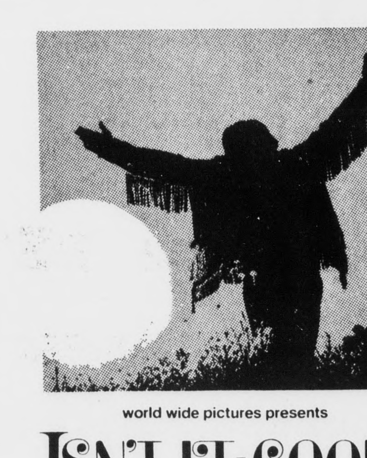
If you, our reader, have an old piece of furniture you would like to repair and refinish, or if you have a household chore you want to undertake and don't quite know where to start write The Fixits, care of the Times-Virginian. We will try to help.

SECOND BROWN TROUT RECORD FOR JULY

On July 19th, Stanley H. Clark of Martinsville topped the previous state record with his 12 lb. 9 oz. brown trout caught in the Smith River below Phippott Dam. Last week end another Martinsville resident, Leon Vencell, fishing in the same area landed a 13 lb. 11 oz. brown trout, thereby besting the former record by 1 lb. 2 ounces. Confirmation of the new state record for the species came during a telephone conversation with Warden Rex Crawford on Monday A.M. Previous to the two latest record-breakers, the largest brown trout was caught in 1971 below Coursey Springs Hatchery in Bath County; size of that fish was 11 lbs. 9 ounces.



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The fires and explosions started around 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon when a Japanese submarine (hull # 1-63 Confirmed later by the Japanese government) fired 3 torpedoes into the starboard side of the USS Waspp.

Weeks later sailors would say it felt like an earthquake. Men were tossed about like ten pins.

It was boom, boom, boom and all of a sudden the ship was listing about 20 degrees to starboard. The explosions of the bomb, magazines, the 90,000 gal. of high octane gasoline and bomb laden airplanes add fuel to the fire.

In 3 hrs. the Japanese had changed the Wasp from a mighty carrier, fitted with 90 heavily armed aircraft to a floating torch. She would be the 13th ship lost to the U.S. Pacific oceans areas command of the Solomon Sea.

All hell was breaking loose. Explosions raptured the water mains and caused loss of all electrical power. The fired could not be controlled. The airplanes armed to the teeth started to explode and machine gun bullets popped all over the place.

Word was passed man to man and mouth to mouth to abandon ship.

He took his shoes off and jumped over the side into oil covered water. There were no life boats but the majority of the men had life jackets. Life rafts were dropped from the air from planes off the carrier USS Hornet.

After nearly 6 hrs. in the water he was pulled aboard the destroyer the USS Farenhold which was sunk by the Japanese only a few days later.

The Farenhold had already picked up several hundred men including our Captain Forrest Sherman. He later was awared the Congressional Medal of Honor and became the chief of all Naval Operations in Wash. D.C.

Charlie later served on another aircraft carrier the USS Prince William and several shore stations in the U.S. and Hawaii.

He served six years in the Navy.

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...Mrs. Claude Trent ...Mr. and Mrs. ...Nutty and family ...week end with Mr. ...Wallace Bondurant ...to Hebron Sunday. ...Mrs. Bob Wheeler ...ond visited Mr. and ...Wheeler Sunday ...at Hebron; also Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wheeler.

Mrs. Hazel Gallespie went to Big Island Thursday and came home Saturday. While there she attended the wedding of a cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Osborne Harrison and family from Louisia County spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Harrison. Glad to report he was out with us Sunday at Hebron.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Krantz and girls and Mrs. Elsie Krantz attended the wedding of Newman and Krantz Saturday at two o'clock.

Beckham

August 5 - Mrs. Clyde Moore and Mrs. Jimmy Guill spent the week end with Mr. H. O. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris, Carolyn and Melanie accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Martin of Lynchburg left Saturday morning for several days at Virginia Beach.

Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin were, Mr. Sonny Carter and girls and Mrs. Alfred Martin and boys. Visiting in the afternoon were Mr. Wallace Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Moore, Joey, Jeff and Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Moore Jr. and Kim Maxwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Burge Jr. visited Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Jamerson Saturday evening.

Miss Debbie Moore is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rice Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burge were Saturday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Burge and girls.

Mrs. Mildred Kemp of Richmond is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and Timmy Moore.

REVIVAL SERVICES TO BEGIN AT PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

Revival services will begin at Appomattox Pentecostal Holiness Church Wednesday, August 7th, and will continue through August 11th. Services will begin at 7:30 each evening.

The Christopher Evangelistic Team will be in charge of the nightly services.

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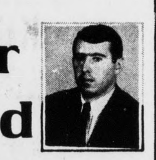
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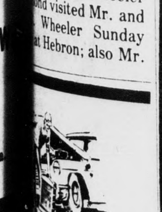
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